

**REMARKS**

The present application is subject to a restriction to one of the following Groups:

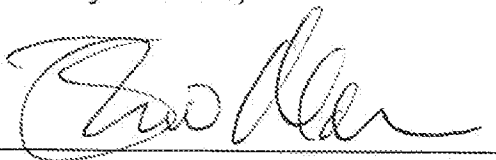
- I. Claims 1-14, drawn to a bone screw.
- II. Claims 15-16, drawn to a method of screw fixation to a vertebra.

In response to this restriction requirement, Applicants elect to prosecute Group I, directed to claims 1-14, drawn to a bone screw.

In view of the above election, Applicants request that claims 1-14 be considered. If the Examiner believes that the above election is improper, Applicants invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss any remaining issues. If any additional fee is required for entry of the present amendments, please charge such fee to Globus Medical Deposit Account No. 50-4131.

Respectfully submitted,

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